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NOTIFICATION.

No. R. L. 1628-57, dated Bangalore, the 10th December 1943.

Under the provisions of Rule 36 of the Mysore Legislative Rules, 1941, the Dewan has been pleased to order the publication in the *Mysore Gazette* of the Mysore Public Health (Amendment) Bill together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons.

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THE MYSORE PUBLIC HEALTH (AMENDMENT) BILL.

A Bill to amend the Mysore Public Health Act, 1944.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Mysore Public Health Act, 1944 (X of 1944), for the purposes hereinafter appearing:

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Mysore Public Health (Amendment) Act, 1944.

Short title
and com-
mencement.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. In sub-clause (i) of clause (a) of sub-section (3) of section 2 of the Mysore Public Health Act, 1944, (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), after the words "and Mysore" the words "and the Civil Station of Bangalore" shall be inserted.

Amendment
of section 2,
Act X of 1944.

3. In section 3 of the said Act—

(a) in sub-clause (a) of clause (19), after the words "Municipal Council", the words "or Municipal Commission" shall be inserted;

Amendment
of section 3,
Act X of 1944.

(b) in clause (20), after the words "Municipal Council", the words "Municipal Commission" and a comma shall be inserted; and

(c) in sub-clause (a) of clause (37), after the words "Municipal Council", the words "or Municipal Commission" shall be inserted.

4. In section 104 of the said Act, after the words and figures "under section 103", the words and figures "or by the suspension of registration by an executive authority under section 106-A" shall be inserted.

Amendment
of section 104,
Act X of 1944.

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Insertion of
new section
106A in Act X
of 1944.
Suspension of
registration
by executive
authority.

5. After section 106 of the said Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

"106-A. On receipt of a report from the Health Officer or the person authorised under sub-section (2) of section 106, the executive authority, if satisfied that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a registered keeper of a lodging house has contravened the provisions of this Chapter or a rule or bye-law made under this Act applicable to him, may, without prejudice to any other action against the keeper of the lodging house, suspend his registration for a period not exceeding ten days and in the case of a subsequent contravention suspend his registration for such period as the executive authority thinks fit or cancel his registration.

Insertion of
section 107-A
in Act X of
1944.
Powers of
seizure, etc.
of executive
authority.

6. After section 107 of the said Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:—

"107-A (1) Where
(i) the grant or renewal of registration is refused under section 103, or
(ii) the registration is suspended or cancelled under section 106-A; or
(iii) the registration is cancelled under section 107, the executive authority or any other person authorised by him in this behalf may seize and detain articles of food or drink and any vessel or utensil used in manufacturing, preparing or keeping such articles, and close down and lock the lodging house.

(2) Articles seized under sub-section (1) may be destroyed or disposed of in such manner as may be prescribed."

Amendment
of section 142
Act X of 1944.

7. After sub-clause (1) of clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 142 of the said Act, the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely—

"(i-a) sections 103, 104, 105, 107, 124, 128, 129, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, and 189, and sections 93, 94, 95, 96, 98, 101, 112, 126 and 130 read with section 161 of the Bangalore-Municipal Law, 1897."

Statement of Objects and Reasons.

In order to ensure the proper maintenance of hotels, boarding houses, etc., provision has been made in Chapter XI of the Mysore Public Health Act, 1944, requiring that every keeper of a lodging house should be registered under the Act. It is considered that in order to effectively enforce the provisions of the Act, the registering authority should have the power to suspend registrations, and compulsorily close a lodging house when registration is refused, suspended or cancelled. Certain amendments to sections 2, 3 and 142 of the Act are also necessary to make the Act applicable to the Civil Station of Bangalore.

This Bill has accordingly been brought forward.